

Water Quality Program General Permits

For 2019, Water Quality is planning reissuances or modifications for 15 of our 23 general permits. The months below are approximate. We will update the Water Quality Partnership on our progress in the coming months.

Planned actions for 2019

February 2019: Water Treatment Plant (Drinking Water) Public review of draft began on Feb. 20. Tentative reissuance planned for mid-summer 2019.

March, 2019: Fresh Fruit Packer Permit modification out for public review of draft on March 6, with a proposed spring issuance. The modification was to add three new pesticide active ingredients.

March, 2019: Aquatic Mosquito Control public review of draft started March 6, 2019. Proposed reissuance in early summer 2019.

April 2019: WSDOT Municipal Stormwater Reissued on March 6, effective April 5, 2019.

Summer 2019: Aquatic Plant and Algae Management, and Aquatic Noxious Weed Control Permits Permit modification to add new pesticide active ingredients and phosphorous inactivation products. Proposed issuance in June 2019. The draft comment period ran from Nov. 7, 2018 until Dec. 21, 2018.

May, 2019: Industrial Stormwater Issue draft for public review in early May, proposed issuance date in late November. Workshops and public hearings scheduled for late May to early June.

July, 2019: Winery Becomes effective July 1, 2019. Ecology is conducting regional education and outreach in May 2019 to educate potential permittees.

July, 2019: Municipal Stormwater GP's (Phase I, Eastern & Western WA Phase II) The formal comment period for the muni permits closed on Nov. 14, 2018. We received 1,864 comment letters, but about 1,780 are duplicates. We are now working on reviewing, considering, and responding to the comments.

- Stormwater Management Manuals for Eastern and Western WA:
 - Eastern Washington: published on Feb. 20, 2019.
 - Western Washington: the comment period closed on Nov. 14, 2018 and we received approximately 50 comment resulting in 1,104 individual comments. We are reviewing, considering, and responding to the comments. We plan to publish in early July, 2019

August 2019: Vessel Deconstruction Issue draft permit for public review in late summer 2019.

June, 2019: Z. japonica Management on Commercial Clam Beds in Willapa Bay GP: Public review of draft June 2019 with a proposed reissuance in late summer.

December 2019: Irrigation Systems Aquatic Weed Control Tentative timeframe for the public review of draft in December 2019, with hopes to issue in late spring of 2020. *This permit reissuance is tied to an EIS development process which is why the schedule is tentative.*

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